SECRETARY OF DEFENSE WILLIAM J. PERRY
BRIEF REMARKS BEFORE MEETINGS AT MINISTRY OF NATIONAL DEFENSE, WITH
#*COMMANIAN MINISTER OF NATIONAL DEFENSE GHEORGHE TINCA
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Q: What are you going to discuss in your meeting?

SECRETARY PERRY: We're going to discuss both bilateral military cooperation, and we're going to discuss ways of cooperation in the Partnership for Peace, including joint military exercises and joint training.

Q: Mr. Ambassador, do you look forward to improved military ties with the United States -

MINISTER TINCA: Oh yes we do.

Q: - including a possible form of joint exercises?

MINISTER TINCA: If it's possible, [inaudible] we are ready for them. As a matter of fact ready for many years.

Q: How about becoming a member of NATO?

MINISTER TINCA: That all depends on -- tomorrow? (Laughter)

Q: How soon do you think the joint military exercises might be scheduled?

MINISTER TINCA: I'll tell you all the story at the press conference, 1 o'clock.